BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Clifford Armstrong III  Beverly Bowen-Bennett— Venus Dergan— Elman Reyes - Pennie Smith - Heidi White
Board member absence Excused Andy Mordhorst

ATTENDANCE: 14 General Members

MINUTES: Motion was made by Laura to accept the May 17, 2017 General Meeting minutes, seconded and approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Current balance $6,530.47

CHAIR’S REPORT: Bring your own bag July 12th or pay a nickel for a paper bag. Aid and shelter plan. Shelter is on 18th and Puyallup Ave. Patrick Babbitt at Board mtg. 6/28 open to all and will be at the S Tacoma Library at 6:00 p.m. Patrick described a little bit about the program that he is providing.

MEETING AGENDA:
Cop’s Meeting: Lt Roberts – Gave reports on crime in the area. Focus is on homelessness and motor vehicle crimes. Speed study on S 74th street did not include school zone from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Beverly asked how the domestic violence is broken down. Lt Roberts said that there are general categories and then sub categories that are more specific. Venus asked about any registered sex offenders released into the S Tacoma area be announced monthly at the STNC from police. Venus asked about the 18 police officers being hired that only 2 will be patrol. Lt Roberts will find out how many will be patrol, but did not think that only 2 would be patrol. How will the Police handle the fourth of July? It will probably be handled the same as last year. They have to go to outside agency to cover for the 4 of July and all major events in Tacoma. Tacoma is short to many officers to cover major events. Lt Roberts will make a copy and give info on the City of Tacoma’s Use of Force Policy.
City Manager’s Office – Elliot Barnett: Bring your own bag July 12th, temporary stability site for emergency homeless shelter will end June 26th then it will get a new home near Puyallup Ave (mitigation site), June 23rd the Korean Women’s Association will hold their 2nd annual Taste of Korea at the STAR center at 5:30 p.m. free. Heidi asked where the permanent location for the Homeless shelter will be. Elliot will find out and send the information to Pennie.
Tacoma Fire – Jim Scott: Handout on the table, kids and fire, list of supplies for emergencies, and fireworks 253-798-7422 $257.00 fine. Good idea to cut all tall brush and grass next to buildings and houses for fire safety.
Metro Parks – Bianca Hill: Summer food program starts June 16th and will run from 12-1 through Aug 25th. For site information contact Metro Parks. Summer Bash is Aug 19th and starts at 5:00 p.m. at the STAR Center. Volunteers are needed for this event – contact Bianca or Matt to Volunteer.
Port of Tacoma – Leslie Barstow report: July 16th Boat Tours Post cards on the table for RSVP. Pile driving in the Port. Venus asked are the Tide Flats and Port two separate entities? The Tide Flats cover about 5,000 acres and of that 5,000 the Port owns about 2,500 acres of that area. Bob asked why the website on the LNG plant is one sided. Leslie said that the website on the LNG was put up because of so much miss information.
Tacoma School – Mr. Stiner: Graduation rate are up around 85% this year. There is a job fair at Stewart Middle School from 1-3 p.m. on July 13th. There will be a new principal at Manitou School. Mr. Stiner will get information on the old Gault Middle School.
General Membership – Audience: Donna mentioned that the So Tacoma Car Show will be Aug 19 and volunteers are needed. Contact the So Tacoma Business District for Volunteer info. A meeting for the Car Show is held at the Chili Parlor on So Tacoma Way every Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. if anyone is interested in volunteering.
Neighborhood Council Board - Venus and Pennie have been going to all other council meeting in the City to see how they run their meetings and see the issues in their areas. They have attended all except the West end because they are the same night as STNC. Venus gave a report on all the council meetings they attended. City Manager will be at our August meeting. Senate bill 5356 will go into effect July tethering limit law. This law puts limits on how long you can chain an animal and be required to give adequate water, food and shelter along with a safe and sanitary environment. For any animal concerns call 253-627-PETS or 311. Audience member would like answers to why the City put boulders on a property line. They have called the City and have gotten no answers. The properties grass is really tall, trash is being dumped, and boulders make it hard to park. Venus suggested calling 311. The property is located between 68th-70th Street on Wapato Street in the alley.
FEATURED AGENDA SPEAKERS- Elliott Barnett- Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan: Elliott gave a report on the Tacoma Subarea Plan update. Signup sheet on the table if anyone would like to receive updates. Major issues are parks or places for children, safety, parking, building design, and unfriendly streets. Questions -What kind of jobs will the business bring? How much will be affordable housing? Incentives will be given to builder for affordable housing, but they are not required to build for affordable housing. What would it take to get a moratorium for this area? Contact your City Council. Donna asked about transportation for seniors.
NEW BUSINESS: National Night Out August 1st. Donna motioned to reimburse up to $50.00 for people that have NNO and ask for the reimbursement with a receipt to Venus, seconded, discussion, motioned passed with two nays.

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Heidi White, Secretary,
Manitou Representative

ADOPTED 08/16/17 STNC GENERAL MINUTES